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C O N F I D E N T I A L BERLIN 5312

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GE, CGEN, CASC

SUBJECT: GDR HUMANITARIAN CASES: SYLVIA KRENKEL

REF: STATE 032860

1. ON FEBRUARY 26, SYLVIA KRENKEL AND HER FIANCE, STEVEN DONLON, TOGETHER WITH DONLON'S FATHER WHO LIVES IN WEST BERLIN, CALLED AT THE EMBASSY TO TELL EMBOFF THAT KRENKEL HAD BEEN TOLD BY AUTHORITIES AT KARL-MARX-STADT (HER HOME) THAT HER APPLICATION TO MARRY DONLON HAD BEEN APPROVED AND THAT THEY COULD MARRY "AT ANY TIME." ALTHOUGH KRENKEL WAS ONLY TOLD THAT MARRIAGE HAD BEEN APPROVED, SHE ADVISED THAT SHE HAD ALSO COMPLETED A FORM APPLYING TO BE DIVESTED OF HER GDR CITIZENSHIP. (SHE HAD BEEN GIVEN SUCH A FORM WITHOUT ASKING FOR IT.) WE UNDERSTAND THAT, IN OTHER CASES OF THIS TYPE, THE APPROVAL TO MARRY, THE PERMISSION TO DEPART THE GDR, AND LOSS OF GDR CITIZENSHIP MAKE UP A SINGLE PACKAGE OF GDR ACTION. IF THIS PATTERN HOLDS, IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT KRENKEL WILL ALSO BE PERMITTED TO DEPART THE GDR, IF INDEED SHE IS NOT EXPELLED.

2. DONLON AND KRENKEL PLAN TO GO TO KARL-MARX-STADT ON WEEKEND OF MARCH 7-8 AND ATTEMPT TO GET MARRIED THEN AND THERE. THEY WILL ADVISE EITHER THIS EMBASSY OR, IF THEY ARE ABLE TO PROCEED DIRECTLY TO BERLIN BEFORE THAT, USMISSION OF  
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FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS IN THEIR SITUATION.

3. AFTER MARRIAGE AND DEPARTURE FROM THE GDR, THEY PROPOSE  
TO LIVE IN EITHER BERLIN OR ANOTHER PART OF THE FRG FOR  
ABOUT ONE YEAR BEFORE RETURNING TO THE UNITED STATES TO LIVE.

4. FOR USMISSION USBERLIN: WE APPRECIATE LEARNING FROM  
YOU EARLY ON FEBRUARY 26 THAT DONLON AND KRENKEL WERE  
PLANNING TO VISIT THE EMBASSY WITH THIS NEWS. PLEASE  
ADVISE OF ANY ASPECTS OF THIS CASE OF WHICH YOU ARE AWARE  
AND WHICH WE HAVE NOT REPORTED. COOPER

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